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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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In re Application of

JOSEE HAMEL, et al.

Application No.: 09/471,255

Filed: December 23, 1999

For: NOVEL STREPTOCOCCUS ANTIGENS

: Customer Number: 20277
 : Confirmation Number: 7195
 : Tech Center Art Unit: 1645
 : Examiner: V. Portner

NOTICE OF APPEAL
FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER
TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

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 Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated June 23, 2005 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 16, 18-20, 25, 34, 35 and 39-50.

Appeal Fee: \$ 500.00

- Not required (fee paid in prior appeal in this application).
- Charge to Deposit Account No. 500417.
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Respectfully submitted,

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